

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

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Examiner: H.Q. Nguyen

Title:

SIDE LOADING WIRE TORQUING DEVICE

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Seattle, Washington 98101

November 8, 2006

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the aboveidentified application, in which prosecution is closed.

_X	1. A submission as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is submitted as follows:					
		Please consider the A	mendment/Res	sponse Under	: 37 C.F.R.	§ 1.116 filed
	X b. An Amendment/Response is enclosed herewith. The claims were previously submitted as a proposal on October 26, 2006.					
X	 The filing fee for the present request for continued examination is calculated below. 					
X a. No claims in excess of the number previously submitted are being added.						
COMPUTATION OF FEE						
		Number	Highest			
		Filed After	Number			
		Any	Previously	Present		Additional
		Amendment	Paid For	Extra	Rate	Fee

Basic RCE Filing Fee 790 Х **Total Claims** 20 20 0 X 50 0 = Independent Claims 5 5 200 0 **TOTAL** \$790

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- X 3. Check No. 172 952 in the amount of \$790.00, as computed above, is enclosed in payment of the required fees for filing the present request for continued examination.
 X 4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or gradit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This
 - §§ 1.16, 1.17, and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this request is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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